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**TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP  
of the  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS**

**August 24, 2010  
Minutes**

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**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY WORKING GROUP. AN AUDIO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.**

The Meeting of the Transportation Conformity Working Group was held at the SCAG office in Los Angeles.

**In Attendance:**

Abrishami, Lori  
Joshi, Melissa

LACMTA  
Caltrans, District 7

**SCAG**

Asuncion, John  
Kuo, Ryan  
Luo, Rongsheng  
Mann, Betty  
Nadler, Jonathan  
Sangkapichai, Mana  
Sherwood, Arnie

**Via Teleconference:**

Alvarez, Grace  
Brady, Mike  
Cacatian, Ben  
Estrella, Romeo  
Gallo, Ilene  
Kratovil, Amie  
Kelly, Jones  
Krebs, Cindy  
Marquez, Jose  
O'Connor, Karina  
Odufalu, Olufemi  
Poe, Lisa  
Sonnenberg, Stew  
Wade, Dennis  
Yoon, Andrew

Riverside County Transportation Commission  
Caltrans Headquarters  
VCAPCD  
Caltrans, District 12  
Caltrans Headquarters  
FHWA  
U.S. EPA, Region 9  
OCTA  
Caltrans, District 11  
U.S. EPA, Region 9  
Caltrans, District 8  
SANBAG  
FHWA  
ARB  
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**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Lisa Poe, SANBAG, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no comments.

**3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**

**3.1 Approval Item**

3.1.1 TCWG July 27, 2010 Meeting Minutes  
The minutes were approved.

**4.0 INFORMATION ITEMS**

**4.1 RTIP Update**

John Asuncion, SCAG, reported the following:

- 2008 RTIP Amendment #44 received federal approval on August 11.
- Administrative modification #49 was approved by Caltrans on August 19.
- The 30-day public review period for the 2011 FTIP ended on August 2. Staff has received some technical comments which will be addressed in the final report.
- The Final 2011 FTIP will be presented to SCAG's Transportation Committee (TC) and Regional Council (RC) for final approval on September 2. The Federal approval is expected in mid December.

**4.2 RTP Update**

Ryan Kuo, SCAG, reported the following:

- The draft 2008 RTP Amendment #4 will be presented to TC for public release approval on September 2. The draft conformity analysis for the Amendment has been completed. The amendment is expected to be presented to RC for adoption in November.
- The project list for 2012 RTP is a little behind schedule due to technical issues in the new RTP application. The first cut of project list is expected in September.

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4.3 SB 375 Update

Jonathan Nadler, SCAG, reported the following:

- The final ARB staff recommended regional GHG emission reduction targets were released on August 9 and the ARB Board will consider adoption of final regional targets on September 23. The staff report and public comments are available on ARB website.
- RC will discuss the final proposed targets at their meeting on September 2.

4.4 ARB UPDATE

Dennis Wade, ARB, reported the following:

- The next ARB Board Meeting will be held on September 23.
- No change to the 2010 EMFAC development schedule (i.e., December 2010).

4.5 EPA Update

Karina O'Connor, EPA, reported the following:

- EPA published the Proposed Transportation Conformity Rule Restructuring Amendments On August 13. The proposed rule restructures two sections of the conformity rule which should reduce the need to amend the rule in the future merely to reference a specific NAAQS. The proposed rule also requires that a near-term year be analyzed when using the budget test if the attainment year of a NAAQS has passed or has not yet been established.
- The projected timeline for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS Reconsideration:
  - Final Rule and Proposed Implementation Rule: end of October 2010
  - Area Designation: 20 months after the Final Rule is finalized
  - SIP due date: end of 2014

4.6 Air Districts Update

None

5.0 **INFORMATION SHARING**

- Mike Brady, Caltrans Headquarters, stated that the Statewide Conformity Working Group Meeting will be held via teleconference from 10:00 am on September 16.

6.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

Lisa Poe adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m. The next Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting will be held on September 28, 2010 at the SCAG office in Los Angeles.